

Removal of present buildings.

Reerection of Bartholdi Fountain.

Plans, etc., for new buildings to be prepared, etc.

Assistance of governmental agencies, etc.

Balance available.
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Sum authorized for purchase, etc.

Botanic Garden and shall be under the jurisdiction and control of the Joint Committee on the Library.

(2) To provide for the removal of such buildings and other structures now located upon the squares specified in paragraph (1) as it deems necessary.

(3) To provide for the removal of the Bartholdi Fountain and its basin and equipment from its present site and the reerection of the same upon a suitable location upon one of the squares specified in paragraph (1).

(4) To investigate the cost of the construction of new conservatories and other necessary buildings for the United States Botanic Garden, to procure preliminary plans and estimates by contract or otherwise for such conservatories and buildings, and to report thereon to Congress before the end of the second regular session of the Seventieth Congress. In making such investigation and report the Joint Committee on the Library is hereby authorized to procure advice and assistance from any existing governmental agency, including the services of engineers, surveyors, draftsmen, architects, and other technical personnel in the executive departments and independent establishments of the Government. For the purpose of this paragraph the unexpended balance of the appropriations made pursuant to the authority contained in Public Resolution Numbered 42, approved January 7, 1925, is hereby made available.

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$820,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to enable the Joint Committee on the Library to carry out the provisions of paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of section 1 of this Act.

Approved, January 5, 1927.

January 5, 1927.

[S. 3615.]

[Public, No. 536.]

CHAP. 21.—An Act For the relief of soldiers who were discharged from the Army during the Spanish-American War, the Philippine insurrection, and the Boxer uprising because of misrepresentation of age.

Army.
Soldiers discharged for fraudulently misrepresenting age on enlisting during Spanish-American War, etc., may be considered honorably discharged.

Provisos.
No back pay, etc.

Certificate of honorable discharge may be granted.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in the administration of any laws conferring rights, privileges, or benefits upon honorably discharged soldiers of the United States Army, their widows and dependent children, a soldier who was enlisted between April 21, 1898, and July 4, 1902, both dates inclusive, and who was discharged for fraudulent enlistment on account of misrepresentation of his age, shall hereafter be held and considered to have been discharged honorably from the military service on the date of his actual separation therefrom, if his service otherwise was such as would have entitled him to an honorable discharge: *Provided*, That no back pay or allowances shall accrue by reason of the passage of this Act: *Provided further*, That in all such cases the War Department shall, upon request, grant to such men or their widows a discharge certificate showing that the soldiers are held and considered to have been honorably discharged under the provisions of this Act.

Approved, January 5, 1927.

January 5, 1927.

[S. 3728.]

[Public, No. 537.]

CHAP. 22.—An Act To grant to the State of New York and the Seneca Nation of Indians jurisdiction over the taking of fish and game within the Allegany, Cattaraugus, and Oil Spring Indian Reservations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on and after

the passage of this Act, the laws of the State of New York (including laws hereafter enacted) relating to the taking of game and fish shall be applicable to the taking of game and fish within the Allegany, Cattaraugus, and Oil Spring Indian Reservations in the State of New York; except that—

(1) Any such law which discriminates against the Indians and in favor of any other person shall not be applicable; and

(2) The Seneca Nation of Indians shall have the exclusive right to authorize, and to issue permits and licenses for, the taking of game and fish within such reservations.

(3) *Provided*, That this Act shall be inapplicable to lands formerly in the Oil Spring Reservation and heretofore acquired by the State of New York by condemnation proceedings.

Approved, January 5, 1927.

Allegany, etc., Indian Reservations, N. Y. State game and fish laws made applicable thereto.

No discrimination against the Indians allowed.

Seneca Nation to issue permits.

Proviso.
Lands acquired by New York excluded.

CHAP. 23.—An Act Providing for the promotion of Lieutenant Commander Richard E. Byrd, United States Navy, retired, and awarding to him a congressional medal of honor.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to advance Lieutenant Commander Richard E. Byrd, United States Navy, retired, to the grade of commander on the retired list of the Navy, to date from May 9, 1926, with the highest retired pay of that grade under existing law.

SEC. 2. The President of the United States is hereby authorized to present, in the name of Congress, a medal of honor to the said Richard E. Byrd for distinguishing himself conspicuously by courage and intrepidity at the risk of his life in demonstrating that it is possible for aircraft to travel in continuous flight from a now inhabited portion of the earth over the North Pole and return.

Approved, January 5, 1927.

January 5, 1927.

[S. 4741.]

[Public, No. 538.]

Navy.
Lieutenant Commander Richard E. Byrd, retired, promoted to commander grade.

Congressional medal of honor awarded for aircraft flight over the North Pole.

CHAP. 24.—An Act Providing for the promotion of Floyd Bennett, aviation pilot, United States Navy, and awarding to him a congressional medal of honor.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to appoint Floyd Bennett, aviation pilot, United States Navy, to the grade of machinist in the Navy from May 9, 1926.

SEC. 2. The President of the United States is hereby authorized to present, in the name of Congress, a medal of honor to the said Floyd Bennett for his gallant service to the Nation as a member of the Byrd Arctic expedition, which medal, when presented, shall entitle him to the benefits provided by the Act approved February 4, 1919.

Approved, January 5, 1927.

January 5, 1927.

[S. 4742.]

[Public, No. 539.]

Navy.
Aviation pilot Floyd Bennett, promoted to machinist grade.

Congressional medal of honor granted as member of Byrd Arctic expedition.

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CHAP. 25.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and Saint Louis Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, to construct a bridge across the Little Calumet River in Thornton Township, Cook County, Illinois.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and Saint Louis Railroad Company and its successors and assigns,

Little Calumet River.

January 8, 1927.

[H. R. 10929.]

[Public, No. 540.]